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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL CIVIL LIABILITY CONVENTION

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1. EMBASSY INFORMED BY COMMISSIONER OF MARITIME AFFAIRS GERALD F. B. COOPER THAT (1) U.S. CERTIFICATES OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY WILL BE REGARDED AS SUFFICIENT TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CONVENTION, AND (2) GOL WILL ACCEPT CERTIFICATIONS MADE BY OTHER CONTRACTING STATES AS ADEQUATE FOR PORT ENTRY, EVEN FOR SHIPS OF NON-PARTIES. (FOR EXAMPLE, GOL HAS DECIDED THAT BRITISH CERTIFICATES FOR JAPANESE SHIPS WILL BE RECOGNIZED SINCE JAPAN HAS NOT YET RATIFIED CONVENTION.)

2. TO COMPLY WITH CONVENTION REQUIREMENTS U.S. SHIPS SHOULD CARRY CERTIFICATES OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY TO SHOW TO PORT AUTHORITIES UPON ENTRY. COOPER MENTIONED THAT REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR PORT CERTIFICATION UNDER SECTION VII (II) OF LIABILITY CONVENTION ARE EXPECTED TO BE ISSUED BY THE END OF AUGUST. GOL, HOW-
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EVER, WILL ENFORCE THEM LENIENTLY UNTIL THE BEGINNING OF 1976 TO

GIVE ALL INTERESTED PARTIES SUFFICIENT TIME TO RATIFY THE CON-
VENTION. EMBASSY WILL TRANSMIT THESE REGULATIONS AND PROCED-
URES TO THE DEPARTMENT AS SOON AS THEY HAVE BEEN RECEIVED
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